

### REMARKS

With the entry of the amendments above, claims 1 and 13 remain pending in this application. Applicants have amended the claims so as to overcome the rejection of claims 1, 9, 12-14 and 16 for lack of enablement, the withdrawal of which is respectfully requested.

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 12, 13 and 16 as anticipated by Shimizu '154. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection on two grounds. First, the incorporation of the limitations of claim 11 into claim 1 means that this rejection is moot. Second, Shimizu does not disclose the claimed precision machine part having a plurality of conveyance passages therethrough. Shimizu instead discloses parts having a single conveyance passage and does not suggest a plurality of discrete conveyance passages through the parts. To say that a pipe with a single passage through it actually has a plurality of discrete passages because each section along the pipe is a separate passage is an unreasonable interpretation of the claims and does violence to the English language. Furthermore, the Examiner seems to recognize that Mr. Hasegawa's declaration adequately explains how the use of vanadium in the bonding alloy, which Shimizu does not disclose, is necessary to produce the successful results of this invention. Shimizu does not anticipate the rejected claims.

The incorporation of the limitations of claim 11 into claim 1 also serves to moot the anticipation rejections based on Hasegawa, Fukuda, Kishi and Yamamoto, the withdrawal of which is respectfully requested.

Finally, the amendments to the claims to remove references to amorphous nickel-based bonding alloys eliminate the rejection of claims 1, 9-11 and 13-15 as obvious over Hasegawa alone.

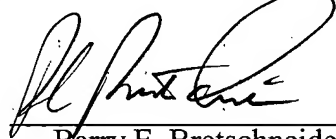
For the foregoing reasons, early action allowing claims 1 and 13 is solicited.

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